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Grants to aided elementary schools

* 2830 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether any aided elementary schools in Malabar were not paid their grants for December 1954 and January 1955 until so late as February 12th, 1955; and

(b) if so, how many and for what reasons?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) & (b) According to the programme for payment of teaching grant approved by Government, there will be no payments in the month of January. The final instalment of grant, i.e., grant for December, the balance of grant for November, along with the maintenance grant is payable in the second week of February only and the grant for January is payable in the third week of February. It is very likely that there may be cases in which grants are paid after the 12th February also.

Cauvery-Mettur Project area in Tanjore

* 2831 Q.—SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM (on behalf of Sri P. Venkatesha Sholagar): Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the acreage included under temporary ayacut of Vadavar, Vennar division in Cauvery-Mettur Project area in Tanjore district; and

(b) whether the Government have taken any steps to bring them under permanent ayacut?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI: (a) & (b) There is no such distinction as temporary and permanent ayacut in respect of the ayacut under Vadavar. The ayacut of 24,256 acres of Vadavar up to Moovarakottai regulator is the old permanent ayacut of that river included in the Cauvery Delta System. The ayacut below the regulator, comprising an extent of 35,893 acres is the ayacut of Vadavar Extension Canal and its branches, which comes under the Cauvery-Mettur Project. This is also treated as permanent ayacut under the Cauvery-Mettur Project.

Residential Basic Schools for Harijans

* 2832 Q.—SRI M. K. PADMAPRABHA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is a proposal to open Residential Basic Schools for Harijans in the Wynaad taluk; and

(b) if so, when and how many?

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THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : At present there is no proposal to open Residential Basic Schools for Harijans in the Wynaad taluk. But under the Grants-in-Aid schemes for the welfore of Scheduled Tribes, four Residential Basic Schools for Scheduled Tribes have been sanctioned in the Malabar district, out of which three are in the Wynaad taluk in Manantoddy, Sultan's Battery and Kalpetta. The schools have already been opened and are functioning satisfactorily.

MR. SPEAKER : Question Nos. 2833, 2834, 2835 and 2836 may be taken up together.

Full fee concession for students of Vanniyakula Kshatriya community

* 2833 *Q.*—SRI A. GOVINDASWAMY NAYAGAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the children of the Vanniyakula Kshatriya community belonging to the districts of Tanjore, Tiruchirappalli, South Arcot and Salem are granted full fee concessions at all stages from 1954–55, if they happen to prosecute their studies outside the above said districts; and

(*b*) if not, why?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir, provided they can produce certificates to the effect that they belong to those districts and that their parents belonged to the former Criminal tribes. The others are given half-fee concessions.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Fee concessions to Vanniyakula Kshatriya community students

* 2834 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that school fee concessions are allowed at all stages of education to the children of Vanniyakula Kshatriya community of four districts alone;

(*b*) whether these orders on the above subject have already been given effect to; and

(*c*) if so, from which date?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Full fee concession in all stages of education is granted to the children of Vanniyakula Kshatriya of the districts of Tanjore, Tiruchirappalli, Salem and South Arcot who belong to the former Criminal tribes. The others are eligible for half fee concessions only.

(*b*) & (*c*) The orders have been given effect to from the school year 1954–55.